

WILEY MATTERS

WILEY PARK GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

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PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

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This year has been extremely successful for the staff, students and families of Wiley Park Girls High School. I would like to congratulate everyone on their hard work and progress in all their endeavours.

The **Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L)** team has spent this year producing high quality support materials for staff and students to further whole-school understanding of school expectations for behaviour. Students are regularly having lessons to learn what it means to be safe respectful learners at WPGHS. Students displaying positive behaviours have regularly been rewarded with tokens which enable them to enter a "lucky draw" each fortnight for prizes.

A very successful project undertaken by members of the PB4L team this year has been the review of the school's **Mobile Phone (and electrical devices) Policy**. Students and staff have been trained in the new policy and procedures and students have become extremely successful in their management of mobile phones at school. During lesson time and when moving to and from classes, mobile phones are OFF and in student bags. Students have become more focussed in class and more consistent in their efforts because they are not being interrupted by others using their phones for non-educational purposes. The PB4L team would like to thank our families for supporting this major initiative and remind families that are required to ring the front office should they need to contact their daughters during school time.

Another wellbeing initiative from members of the PB4L team has been the changeover to a **vertical roll call system**. Each rollcall class now has students from Yr. 7 to Yr. 12 and the rollcall classes are based on the sporting house groups of the school. We are excited with this new arrangement as it provides many leadership opportunities for all our older students – a kind of "big sister/ little sister" support program. All the younger students will know older students in the school who could offer peer support if required.

Throughout the year, there have been **many upgrades to ICT equipment** in the school and the equipment in the computer rooms. The network systems have been enhanced to support student and teacher access and new sets of laptops have been made available for student use in class time. A new video conferencing area has been installed in the school conference room to enable staff and students to source external lectures and form links with other schools. A technology area "The Tech Lab" has been created in the library and staff have been using this space to provide learning experiences which encourage students to work collaboratively in inspiring learning spaces. Two of our computer rooms are currently being upgraded to include large screen TV style monitors for visual display and the hall had major works this year upgrading the large projection screen and audio visual system. Wireless network access has now been installed in the hall and the PRF.

Commencing at the end of this year, WPGHS will be **undergoing major building works** to provide access to the site for a student enrolling in 2020. The building works will be centred around the back of the school in the Gumnut Garden and rear carpark. Some areas will be blocked off from access for our entire school community and we ask that people refrain from entering those building areas for their own safety. The builders will be accessing the school from Hillcrest Avenue and we would like our families to be aware of the increased traffic congestion over the next year especially at drop off and pick up times. Priority needs to be given to construction vehicles, so please arrange for your daughters to walk a short way from the school for ease of pick up. By the end of the year, WPGHS will have a lift, ramps and railings to assist the student move around the school.

Relieving Principal,
Ms Fitzpatrick



DEPUTY ADDRESS

WILEY MATTERS

I wish you all the best as we reflect on the last year of school. Our students have achieved so many wonderful results of which we should all feel proud.

Programs

Our curriculum and co-curriculum programs keep our students fully engaged and happy to come to school. The co-curriculum programs including the Astronomy, Robotics and Coding, Agricultural Garden, Mathematics, Music, Cultural Dance, Entrepreneurial, City Country Alliance and Art Clubs are thriving and are so exciting for the girls. We aim to give students the opportunity to reach their full potential and this continues to be achieved through these programs and also through sport, art, drama and music with students displaying their skills across the community.

STEM

I have worked with a staff team to investigate and further promote STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) initiatives into our school curriculum. We are now delivering Year 9 iSTEM and a Year 10 STEM mentoring program for students to develop critical and creative skills that will prepare them for future employment. As such we are continuing to work with local schools and the University of Sydney STEM Academy to ensure innovative STEM and future focused learning for our students.



City Country Alliance (CCA)

Our partnership and inclusiveness with parents and the wider community continues to be one of our greatest strengths. As a result WPGHS is trusted to be included in the Federal Governments initiative called the 'City Country Alliance' which aims to forge trusted relationships between city and country schools. I had the opportunity to take our students to Broken Hill High School with our P&C President, Mrs Hasna, Mrs Kaul and Mr Henstock. The aim of the visit was to build strength in diversity and social participation by including parents, students and staff of WPGHS in the teaching of Far West projects, Aboriginal culture, history and art. We visited the Broken Hill Mosque and was given a tour by Robert Shamrose, descendent of the first Afghan cameleers to Australia. We also visited a Synagogue and given a history lesson by a member of the Historical Society of NSW. Students were teamed up with Broken Hill High School students to learn farm skills and lessons in bush food, minerals and mining.

CCA Leadership Dinner

Students continued further performances to promote the school's diversity and cultural inclusiveness at the NSW City Country Alliance Student Leadership Conference dinner hosted by our school. This was a huge event for our school bringing together 33 primary and high school students **from across NSW** with Wiley Park Girls High School students sharing refugee stories, cultural diversity respect and tolerance at the dinner. Our guest speakers included Sheik Yahya, Rabbi Kastel and The Hon Professor Marie Bashir. Students attending the Student Leadership Conference at Collaroy with Ms Rizzo, Mrs Kaul and myself thoroughly enjoyed the motivational speakers and connections made between their own culture and with Aboriginal culture and history.

Thank you to our entire school community, you have all worked together to make this year such a success.

Deputy Principal,
Ms Agapitos

WELLBEING

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2018 has been another busy but highly productive and successful year at WPGHS. I would like to thank our hard working and dedicated Wellbeing Team for their dedication and support of students. They ensure that your daughters are happy, safe and engaged in learning. I would also like to thank all our parents and carers for encouraging their daughters to participate in as many opportunities and activities as possible.

Attendance

Strong school attendance and minimum lateness is a critical factor to improve overall student achievement. High academic performance and being able to achieve your personal best is greatly influenced by consistently low rates of absenteeism. A high attendance rate allows students to enjoy all the learning experiences, extra-curricular opportunities, clubs, sporting teams and excursions that enrich learning and allow students from different year groups to connect with like-minded students with a particular passion. One of the greatest assets the students will have at Wiley Park Girls is their peer networks. Establishing and maintaining strong connections with friends is vital to the students overall wellbeing, as their peers become additional support to lean on when the going gets tough.

Services

At WPGHS we have many school support structures and services for the students. These include mentoring to guide and extend student understanding and sustain student growth. When needing help, students are also encouraged to visit our school counsellor. School counselling provides a safe place for students undergoing various stressful situations to be supported.

Mental Health Week - October

The students and staff at WPGHS engaged in a number of interactive resilience building and mental health awareness workshops to highlight specific strategies, services and help seeking in our community. The importance of exercise and connections to others was very strongly presented. All students were reminded that all teachers had their wellbeing at the heart of all they did at school.

Students and staff enjoyed and valued the interactive workshops held by community groups, and consolidated partnerships that were held throughout Mental Health Week. They included:

- Be Healthy, Be Happy - Canterbury/Bankstown Bulldogs
- Diva's Self Defence - Canterbury/Bankstown Council
- Healthy Minds, Healthy Me - Fusion South Sydney Youth Services
- Two Sides to Everyone - Mission Australia and Bernardos
- Batyr Performance - Batyr

Hopefully the workshops provided students with simple but effective strategies that they can use in their lives and classrooms to strengthen feelings of self-esteem, resilience and confidence to effectively meet the challenges of life.

White Ribbon Day

Students and staff were encouraged to wear white ribbons to raise awareness about violence against women. Students and staff participated in the 'No Excuse for Abuse' community march through Lakemba to Parry Park, awareness raising at Year Assemblies and participated in Fusion Youth Services' workshop 'Your Voice Matters'.

As you read our newsletter you will realise that the staff at WPGHS organise many leadership and community events to ensure our students grow into strong and resilient citizens who are articulate and happy.

Head Teacher of Wellbeing,
Ms Rizzo.



MENTAL HEALTH WEEK 2018



PB4L LAUNCH 2018



CITY COUNTRY ALLIANCE 2018



P&C EXCURSION 2018



PB4L EXPECTED BEHAVIOURS

TRANSITION BEHAVIOURS	
SAFE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Move quietly, sensibly and safely around the school - Avoid unsafe physical contact with other people
RESPECTFUL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Move around the school with respect & courtesy - Respect the personal space of other people
LEARNER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Arrive to class on time & prepared to learn

OUTSIDE BEHAVIOURS	
SAFE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stay in the supervised areas - Avoid unsafe physical contact with other people - Use safe behaviours appropriate to the different areas
RESPECTFUL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Keep the school clean - Use appropriate language & tone - Be a respectful school & digital citizen - Queue & wait patiently in the canteen area
LEARNER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be on time to lessons following breaks

LEARNING SPACE BEHAVIOURS	
SAFE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Line up sensibly & enter learning spaces when instructed - Follow all learning space safety instructions - Keep all personal items safe
RESPECTFUL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use appropriate language & tone - Allow & support all students to learn - Maintain a clean learning space - Hand up & wait for your turn
LEARNER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be a positive & engaged student - Use electronic devices appropriately for learning - Be organised & prepared to learn - Complete all class work & homework - Work collaboratively - Always do your best - Ask for help if needed

COMMUNITY & CYBER BEHAVIOURS	
SAFE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Move safely around the community - Be cyber-safe - Report hurtful behaviour, conflict or harassment
RESPECTFUL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Treat others with respect, courtesy and consideration - Always be a positive representative of the school
LEARNER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Value the opinions of others

FROM THE YEAR ADVISORS

MS SOMASI'S YEAR 7

Congratulations to all our Year 7 students who have made a commendable effort in completing their fabulous journey. Year 7 have spent this year establishing relationships by making new friends, meeting new teachers and participating in a range of activities such as Peer Support, spelling bee, multicultural day, mental health week, excursions and incursions throughout the year. This was a big transformation for our Year 7 students who have endured the change with great confidence. They have established as a respectful cohort, taking pride of their learning in a safe, positive environment. Students follow PB4L and listen attentively to these lessons during their roll call. I would like to acknowledge Ms Saisanas for the hard work and dedication displayed for our Year 7 group and supporting the students this year. I also thank the staff who provided me regular feedback about the students so that I could provide timely assistance to these students.

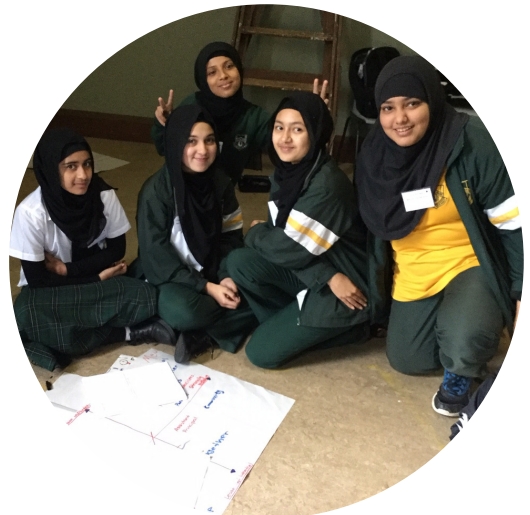
Building Resilience

Students were an audience for High Resolves program which guides students to build resilience and equip 21st century skills such as citizenship, leadership, problem solving and intercultural awareness. They became aware of values and behaviour, which our school models through PB4L.

Student Clubs

Congratulations to our students who have enthusiastically participated in student clubs this year. Gardening club students have worked hard and we will be soon completing the installation of the greenhouse. During this year, the girls worked on cultivating herbs such as sage, oregano, mint and green salads, (staff acclaimed!) beetroot, radish and lettuce. Vegetable scraps were also used from classroom teaching and planted in the garden beds, learning how sustainable we can become in future.

**Congratulations to Jenan Hadid,
Amira AlMasri and Mariam Saad
for being selected for SRC!**



FROM THE YEAR ADVISORS

MS HATZIDIS' YEAR 8

Year 8 have been involved in a wide range of activities this year reflecting the variety of abilities the girls possess. Year 8 have been involved in the athletics and swimming carnivals, Gala Day sports competitions, Spelling Bee, debates, dancing for the school for Multicultural Day and assisting in volunteer work around the school.

Highlights

One highlight of the year was when students interested in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) were selected to spend an innovative and exciting one-day on-site experience at the Powerhouse Museum, Sydney. During this one-day workshop students were given the opportunity to take part in a variety of activities including coding, learning to solve puzzles in a virtual reality world, retro gaming console with Raspberry Pi, unity Game design, 3D printing and a range of other activities.

"The smallest act of kindness
is worth more than the
grandest intention."
Oscar Wilde

Fundraising

This year, students from year 8 chose to fundraise for the Share the Dignity Foundation. The purpose of this charity is to collect thousands of personal hygiene products every year for women who are experiencing homelessness and poverty. To assist the Share the Dignity Foundation, year 8 students made a donation of one or more personal hygiene products. As their year adviser, I have been very proud of their achievements this year and look forward to watching the girls' progress into year 9.



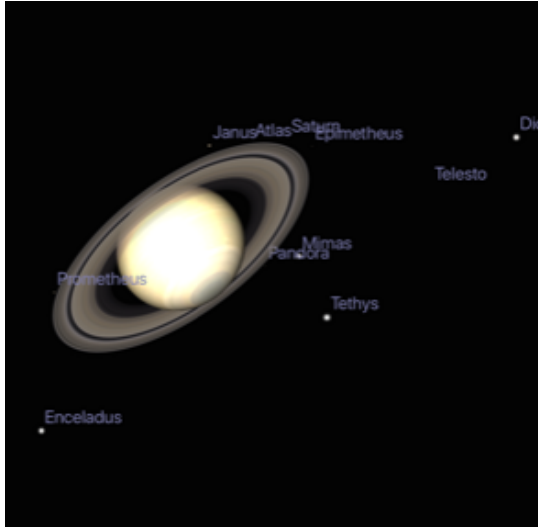
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MR HENSTOCK'S YEAR 9

Earlier this year I had the fortune of inheriting the role of Year 9 Year Advisor and work with such wonderful students. They have demonstrated a wide range of interests, personalities and hope for their futures. In my short time with them we have explored many different aspects of their journey through school including study methods, positive behaviour for learning, community support mechanisms and ways to support each other as we progress through year 10 and beyond. I am proud to continue to support them as we embark into year 10.

Student Clubs and Workshops

Students have had opportunities to become involved in a wide variety of student clubs such as robotics, astronomy, art, STEM, poetry and drama. A highlight for myself was our fantastic astronomy evening in August where students were able to use professional telescopes to view our galactic universe. Students were also encouraged to participate in writing workshops, music programs, sporting competitions and much much more. Many of the students have embraced these opportunities and have expanded their educational experiences as a result. This will serve them well in the future.



“One of our greatest weaknesses is in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.”
Thomas Edison

FROM THE YEAR ADVISORS

MS KAUL'S YEAR 10

It gives me immense pleasure to summarise the great year we have had. Our Year 10 girls are moving steadily to develop and grow into mature, thoughtful and conscientious young women. The year has been busy with all sorts of activities. They have finalised their subjects and started working hard for Year 11 with a responsible and self-motivating mindset.

Highlights

Here are just **some** of the highlights from this year. This year one of our talented artists, Kashfi Mannan, was selected out of hundreds of applicants to participate in the Centenarian Portrait Project by Teenagers where she painted local centenarian, Cladius Bilinski. She has made the school proud by not only winning the prestigious Zonta award, but for also being interviewed by the Sydney Morning Herald. Mariam El Cheikh was also selected as youth ambassador of our school for 'The NRL in League in Harmony Program'. She was chosen to meet the Duke and Duchess of Sussex in their recent tour of Australia. Congratulations!

Excursions

Students from year 10 were given the opportunity to attend the Youth Summit at Parliament House. Natasha Hamdy was selected to express her feelings for 'Freedom' through poetry slam. She and our students had the chance to meet and interact with various political leaders. Sara Ghazoui and Amara Merhi also had the opportunity to travel to Broken Hill as part of the Country Alliance Program. They worked collaboratively with Broken Hill High school to learn about country school, explore local aboriginal sites and art galleries. This was truly and amazing experience for the students and staff who accompanied them.

Programs

Our girls also showed tremendous participation in the leadership programs like 'Wise up', and 'Together for Humanity'. These programs allowed students to explore issues related to 'creating a sense of belonging' and 'connectedness' for all groups within the Australian society. This was an exciting opportunity for students to actively engage in the challenges and rewards of living in a diverse society and to work collaboratively with students from different schools from a diverse range of cultural, religious and geographic backgrounds.



FROM THE YEAR ADVISORS

MS MOURAD'S YEAR 11

Congratulations to Year 11 for successfully completing their first phase of Stage 6 studies! It has been a challenging yet rewarding year, and the girls worked consistently in the lead up to their HSC exams. I would like to congratulate our **2019 Captain, Vice Captains, and Prefects**. Our 2019 Captain is Bassima Hadid, our Vice Captains are Maya Ali and Tanisha Choudhury, and our Prefects are Tasnim Alam, Courtney Allerton, Aisha Bibi, Aya Elgamal, Hikmah Tebe, Myra Maree Tauei, Catherine Prasad, Sarah Seho-Boudellaa, and Aqeela Shauab.

Champions in Their Field

We are very proud of Myra Maree Tauei (Year 11) and Tearoha Arokapiti (Year 9) who WON the Sharp Short Dance Competition at Riverside Theatre, championing over hundreds of other competitors. Congratulations Myra and Tearoha! (left)

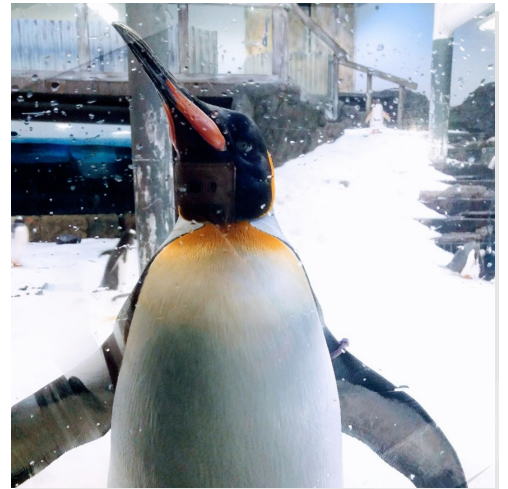
Congratulations to Hikmah Tebe who received her Academy Access Award from Western Sydney University, offering her a guaranteed place in the WSU Academy and a conditional scholarship of \$20000. Hikmah is a hardworking and deserving student and this Award recognises her exceptional work both academically and within the community. Well done, Hikmah! (right)



Finally, I would like to remind Year 11 students that as they transition to Year 12, it is vital that they wear full school uniform, attend all classes, and keep up with their academic commitments. If students are having trouble juggling their various commitments, they can see their teachers for assistance and we can make accommodations where necessary.

I look forward to working with this fabulous group of students during their final year of school and celebrating their achievements!

SEA LIFE AND WILD LIFE EXCURSION 2018



MULTICULTURAL DAY 2018



FROM THE FACULTY

SUPPORT

The Support faculty has been running the Café 11 for 7 years and we, as a Café 11 team, are so proud of our hard working girls. Every Thursday during period 2, the girls of class AS set the tables, turn on the coffee machine and get ready for their customers. The girls are responsible to run the café and undertake various roles such as taking orders, coffee making, selling cakes, money handling, waiting staff and kitchen hand etc. Teachers look forward for Thursdays and we have a huge success in catering for them. The Principal, Deputy Principals and all staff have supported us by taking some time out of their busy schedules and enjoying our delicious home baked cakes, quiches and muffins.

Catering for All

Teachers and SLSOs in the support faculty support us by taking the initiative to bake gluten free cakes, scones and muffins every Wednesday night. They help in organising the milk, coffee, sugar and manoush, supervising girls on the coffee machine, sandwich toaster and guiding them to properly serve the customers.



Overall we have seen a huge personal growth in the participating girls, particularly their social skills and self-esteem. They have learned the value of being reliable, punctual, polite and organised. All money raised in Café 11 is used to buy resources and for funding an end of year excursion. So far we have been to Blue Mountains, Kingpin Bowling, The Star Garden buffet and Sydney Tower Buffet, that was partially subsidised by Café 11 funds.

Relieving Head Teacher,
Ms Sood.



FROM THE FACULTY



ENGLISH

2018 has been a very busy year for the subjects within the English faculty. Thank you to the parents and teachers who have contributed their time, patience and commitment to their girls' education. Thank you to our wonderful Wiley Park students who have challenged, adapted and grown from their studies in English and we wish you all the luck into 2019. See what happened within our faculty:

English: In English, Year 7 and 8 students were introduced to the Word Flyers program to assist in their literacy. From talking to students and teachers, and reviewing student results, the program has been valuable and will continue in 2019. We also hosted the 2018 Wiley/Belmore Writer's Festival, with two Year 7 students, Laila Johar and Randa Mahmoud having their stories published in the annual magazine. We were also privileged with a keynote speech from multiple award-winning author, Susanne Gervay. Students from Year 7 to 12 had opportunities to engage with outside agencies, including Poetry in Action and Bell Shakespeare, who delivered exciting performances for students to deepen their understanding of Poetry and Drama.

Debating: Our Year 10 Debating team, led by the wonderful Ms. Akkawi, were successful in the Inter-Zone finals against East Hills Girls HS. They made it to the quarter finals in this competition but were beaten Sefton HS. We continued our partnership with Wiley Park Primary school, with some of our expert teachers volunteering their time to teach primary students debating. We also continued our connection with the LMA, with 4 Year 9 students participating in the Write it Out program, which resulted in the publication of their opinion articles. We look forward to continuing and developing these partnerships in 2019.

Drama: Our HSC Drama students were lucky enough to participate in a free workshop with an Artist in Residence from Belvoir Theatre, as well as a workshop with some of the cast and production team from the play "Stolen". Both of these experiences assisted the students with their HSC work, and we hope to give students more opportunities next year.

We celebrate the achievements of our students across English and Drama for 2018, and look forward to an even more successful 2019.

Relieving Head Teacher,
Ms Cervonaro



FROM THE FACULTY

MUSIC

During 2018, music students have excelled in presenting their talent across the school and wider community. Our students have presented musical performances for international students from Japan, local community leaders at our annual community breakfast and also supported important events such as Harmony Day, Multi-Cultural Day, ANZAC Day and our Year 12 graduation ceremony. In addition to showcasing their talent, senior students worked hard to create HSC major works consisting of performances and composition portfolios. Our HSC students attended workshops at school during their holidays and on weekends to create a well-rounded and professional music program for the HSC. Our junior students also achieved excellent results in the classroom by learning to play keyboard, guitar and the drums. Year 7 and 8 students also developed their musicianship during the lunch time Guitar Club with Mr. Cheney. We cannot wait to see what you all achieve in 2019!

Head Teacher Music, Art & Careers,
Mr Gardiner



ARTS

2018 has been a fantastic year for our students who have studied art and art history. They have shown passion and dedication beyond their years which we hope will continue into 2019.

Here is a look into our 2018:

Excursions: Students from year 9 visual arts attended the Trade Expo to visit the Visual Impact Event. There they learnt about pathways into the printing, graphics, and sign communication industry. Students were able to participate in tasks like screen printing, stencil cutting, sign writing and wrapping motorbikes.

Competitions: We have had several students enter into art competitions both at Wiley Park Girls High School and beyond. Students studying other subjects have found their abilities to express themselves through art helpful as they entered into art based competitions for their subjects. For example we had our students enter into the Astronomy Club's art competition, which has allowed them to understand and learn about science through their passion for art. We also had Kashfi Mannan of year 10 enter into the Centenarian Portrait Project by Teenagers of which she was selected for! As a result Kashfi was able to meet her local centenarian, Claudius Bilinski, and paint his portrait. Furthermore Kashfi was also selected by the Centenarian Portrait Project to be interviewed by the Sydney Morning Herald. We are very proud of her passion and dedication to the arts.



FROM THE FACULTY

TAS

Sharing Our Food and Our Culture with the Community

On the 27th of August, 10th of September and the 24th of September, Lakemba PS Wiley Park PS, Punchbowl PS; parents and students had an opportunity to share and learn new food preparation skills with the staff, parents and students at Wiley Park Girls High School. Parents exchanged recipes and cooking techniques whilst teaching their children their secret dishes. Over the 3 sessions, delicious food was prepared such as Greek salad, Asian crunchy salad, kefta, chop suey, ejjeh and Indonesian salad. Parent, students and staff got the opportunity to sit down and enjoy the meal that they prepared together. The program was very successful in building relationships with the wider community and enhancing connections with our school culture.

Year 7 Technology

This year the Year 7 students completed 2 units of work; 'Be a designer' and 'Go for grains'. The girls absolutely loved the program especially making their own dream bedroom model and a healthy grain recipe. In 2019 the Year 7 will undergo the new Technology Mandatory syllabus and will complete 2 units of work; 'Crack the Code' which enables students to be confident in using Digital Technology to program. Also the 'Grow and Thrive' unit, which is based on growing your own food and using the fresh produce to cook healthy dishes to meet the Food and Agriculture syllabus.

Year 8 Technology

This year the Year 8 students completed 2 units of work; 'Summer Rocks' and 'Celebration foods'. The students designed their own bags using embroidery techniques learnt in Technology. In addition, they decorated a celebratory cake for their Food unit.

Year 9 Food Technology

The Inner Wheel club is a charity run organisation that raises money for worthy causes. This year our Year 9 FT class volunteered to make 500 Italian Christmas cakes and potentially helped to raise \$10 000 for the club. The students were very motivated and happy to take on board and learn new baking techniques; with such maturity, they were a credit to our school. Well done Girls!

Head Teacher,
Ms Lavite



Year 10 Food Technology

Year 10 were set a dessert challenge this year and the expectation that was amongst the students was very high. Delicious dishes were made such as, pancakes, cupcakes, chocolate balls, candy cake, fried Lebanese sweets and many more. Ms Moxey had a very hard time choosing a winner because the desserts were all very scrumptious.

Stage 6 Hospitality

Year 11 and 12 students have been cooking up a storm this year. They have catered for many events this year such as the Community breakfast, Refugee week, staff morning tea and parent teacher night, just to name a few. The Hospitality students have the opportunity to develop their confidence and master cookery skills through the many valuable catering experiences at the school.

VET

VET Excellence Awards

This year the VET awards was held at Bankstown Sports Club on Monday the 20th of August. The VET excellence awards recognises students who have shown academic and high practical skills in their specified VET area. We were very fortunate to have 3 winners this year: Tupuai Potana- Business Services, Amira Assaad- Hospitality, Noor Azizah Azizah - Business Services Diligence award. Congratulations girls, we wish you well on your educational endeavours.

Rotary awards

Rotary Awards was held on the 11th of September at East Hill Girls High School. This year's nomination went to: Ma'Ata Jones- Business Services, Maria Maria - Hospitality, Marwa Masri - Retail Services. This award night recognises students efforts in VET subjects to which these students have placed high values to their studies.

TAS IN 2018

SHARING OUR CULTURE AND FOOD

WITH THE COMMUNITY 2018



YEAR 8 TECHNOLOGY 2018



VET EXCELLENCE & ROTARY AWARDS



FROM THE FACULTY

SCIENCE

At the end of 2018 we have said farewell to our wonderful head teacher Ms Bazarewski. Thank you for your immense contribution to education! We now welcome and wish good luck to Mr Choukair who will be relieving Head Teacher of science.

Excursions in 2018

Year 10 Excursion: The students had an exciting adventure visiting the Australian Museum in the city with perfect weather making it a great day. Our girls started the day observing some chemistry experiments conducted by UNSW Science graduates. They learnt about the Thylacine, and observed fossils gaining an insight into the evolution of life on earth. They enjoyed lunch on the museum's rooftop and ended their excursion by interacting with groups representing various universities exploring ideas on forensics, biochemistry, and robotics.

Year 9 Excursion: Year 9 visited the Aquarium and experienced the Wildlife adventure at Darling Harbour. The students had a great marine lesson looking at the coral reef, sharks, sting rays and penguins. Students had a fabulous day out, eagerly recording images of these organisms. They displayed positive behaviour throughout the excursion.

Year 8: Students had a workshop on sustainability in Term 1. They learnt about sustainability via an incursion focusing on renewable and non-renewable energy. Year 8 studied stem cells and microbiology and demonstrated their keen interest in these topics.

Year 7: Students had a fantastic turn out this year. They visited Taronga Park Zoo to complement the Classification topic. The students were enthusiastic looking at wide range of animals. Their behaviour was fantastic. They also participated in a photography competition.



Year 6 into 7 Transition Day

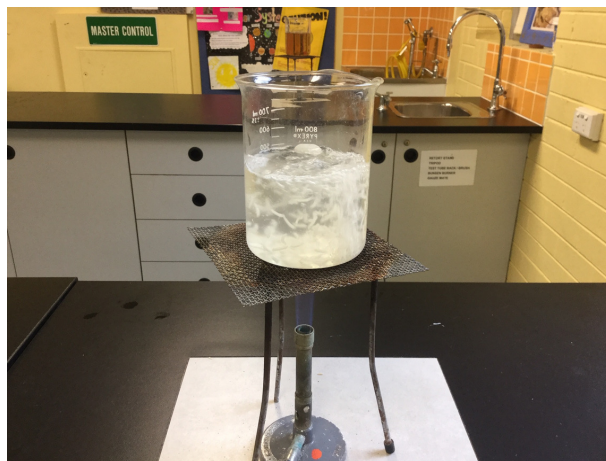
Mr Kwong and Mrs Somasi have been promoting hands on activities in Science for year 6 students on Transition Day this week. I would like to congratulate all Years for their positive attitude towards learning during this year and look forward to a successful new year.

Studies

Year 9 and year 7 students have recently performed experiments on heat conduction using rice or tea to observe the circular movement due to and diffusion. They have demonstrated a deeper understanding of the scientific concepts with practical experiences.

We would like to congratulate all Years for their positive attitude towards learning during this year and look forward to a successful new year.

Relieving Head Teacher,
Mr Choukair.



"The science of today is the
technology of tomorrow!"

Edward Teller

FROM THE FACULTY

PDHPE

Short Sharp Dance Competition

Myra Maree Tauei & Tearoha Arokapiti entered into the Short Sharp Dance Competition for 2018. They entered along with 160 other groups via video, which was narrowed down to 60 for the heats, and then 17 for the Finals. They made it to the finals and were against elite ballet schools and performing arts high schools. Myra and Tearoha performed with grace and passion and WON the dance competition. From this opportunity the girls were also given the chance to meet and learn from industry professional dancers. The Short Sharp Dance Competition is an elite dance industry competition and they have been undergoing interviews for numerous newspapers because of their success. Congratulations Myra and Tearoha!



Camp

27 girls from yr. 7 to yr. 11 attended a 4 day camp at Sydney Academy of Sport and Recreation in Narrabeen. Camp provided an opportunity for the girls to experience activities that cannot be experienced at school, such as, sailing, canoeing, abseiling, bushwalking, cook out, canoeing, kayaking and archery. The girl's behaviour effort and attitude was a credit to themselves and their parents. Wiley Park Girls High School would like to thank Bankstown Sports for their significant donation to help with the cost of camp. Our students were very grateful.



Head Teacher,
Ms MacIntosh



See our sporting results
from 2018
on the next page!

FROM THE FACULTY

SPORTING RESULTS

Knock Out Teams

Basketball: The team consisting of Sara Khan, Justina Paiti, Mariam El Cheikh, Natasha Hamdy, Meka Tuisila, Mariam El Masry, Ma'Ata Jones and Anna Finau.

The team played really well and all players contributed to the great overall performance.

Volleyball: The team consisted of Tupuai Potaua, Rangi Paiti, Ma'Ata Jones, Gwen Swann, Lawrencea Mateariki, Myra Tauai, Meka Tuisila, Anna Finau, Alisa El-Khansa, Christine Tuapou and Jasmene Arokapiti. The team competed at the central venue day and played very well across many games.

Netball: The team consisted of Rangi Paiti, Gwen Swann, Myra Tauai, Rose Cowan, Meka Tuisila, Ma'Ata Jones, Mariam El Masry, Courtney Allerton and Anna Finau. The team competed at the central venue day and competed very well against other local teams.

Touch Football: The team consisted of Meka Tuisila, Myra Tauai, Rose Cowan, Gwen Swann, Mariam El Masry, Alisa El-Khansa, Ghina El Majzoub, Nour El Majzoub, Ommayah Tanjung, Mariam El Cheikh, Jasmene Arokapiti and Susana Tupou. All girls followed the match plan and played really well. All girls played as a team.

Softball: The team consisted of Tupuai Potaua, Mariam El Masry, Rangi Paiti, Lawrencea Mateariki, Ma'Ata Jones, Shaymaa Elsaj, Gwen Swann, Myra Tauai, Jasmene Arokapiti, Kura Talauta and Justina Paiti. The team played a great game and the score was equal at the end of the game.

Soccer: The team consisted of Ommayah Tanjung, Kura Talauta, Ghina Elmajzoub, Safa Ali, Hayat Aouad, Alisa El Khansa, Marrwa Akkawi, Sarah Seho Boudellaa, Layla Raad, Fatima Hammoud, Mariam El Cheikh, Ruqaya Arja, Ramziya Arja Isra Jaber, Alaa Abdulwahab and Amina Ankoush. The girls all played very well against some strong opposition.

Zone Cross Country Results 2018

12 yrs. Noor Afita Noor Afita 2nd out of 68 competitors

14 yrs. Nour El Majzoub 34th out of 62 competitors

15 yrs. Alisa El- Khansa 31st out of 65 competitors

15 yrs. Fatma Arja 32nd out of 65 competitors

Noor Afita Noor Afita qualified to compete at the St. George Zone at the Regional Cross Country at Miranda Park.

Swimming Carnival Results 2018

1st Fraser 446

2nd Goolagong 400

3rd Cuthbert 279

4th McKay 208

School Champion: Aya Elgamal & Assiya Hasna

Age Champions

12 yrs: Kothar AbdulKhani 34

13yrs: Jenan Hadid 50

14 yrs: Maryam Elyassa 50

15 yrs: Assiya Hasna 58

16 yrs: Aya Elgamal 58

17 yrs: Bassima Hadid 44

Athletics Carnival Results 2018

1st Cuthbert 428

2nd McKay 408

3rd Fraser 307

4th Goolagong 214

School Champion:

Sarah Seho Boudellaa

Age Champions

12yrs: Noorafita Noorafita 40

13yrs: Salam Chami 36

14yrs: Jasmene Arokapiti 28

15yrs: Alisa El Khansa 60

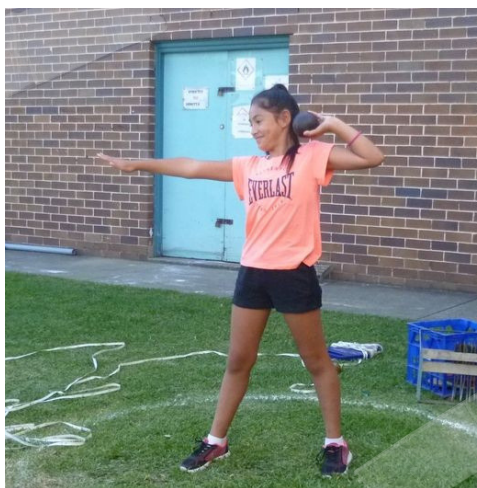
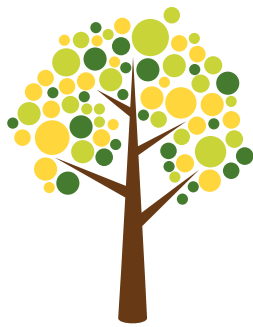
16yrs: Sarah Seho Boudellaa 64

17yrs: Maria Ardzejewski 28

PDHPE IN 2018



CAMP 2018



SPORT 2018



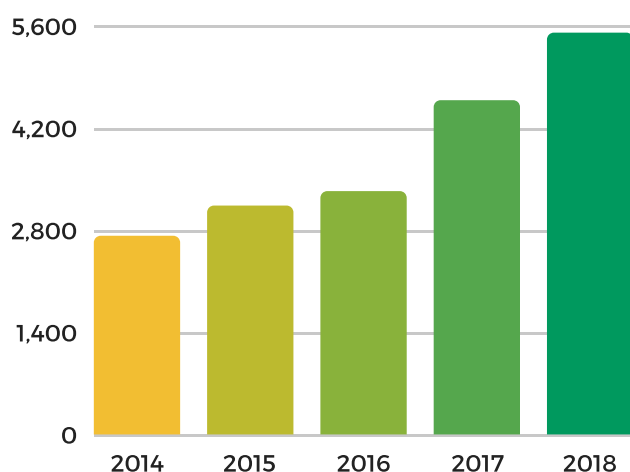
FROM THE FACULTY

LIBRARY

In 2018, the Library continued to grow and change as teachers and students continued to make valuable use of the space. The Library Tech Zone was launched, adding a new learning space that catered to collaborative 21st Century learning modes. We look forward to continued growth in 2019!

Librarian, Ms Saisanas

TOTAL LOANS BY YEAR

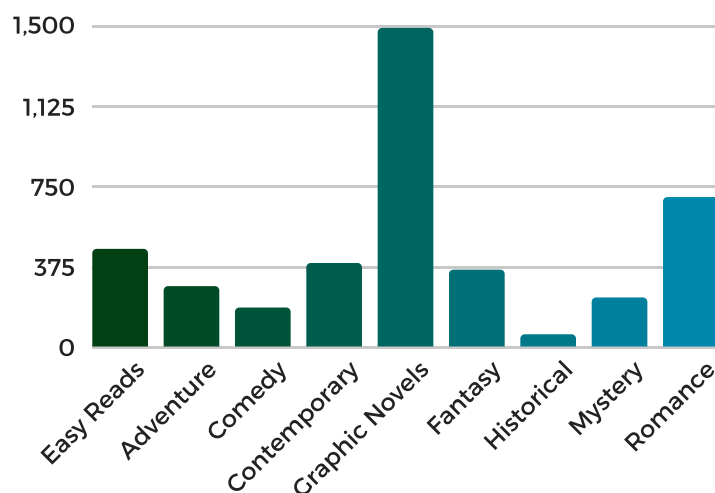


20%

increase in the
total number of
loans from
2017 to 2018

THE MOST LOANS OCCUR
IN THE MONTH OF
FEBRUARY

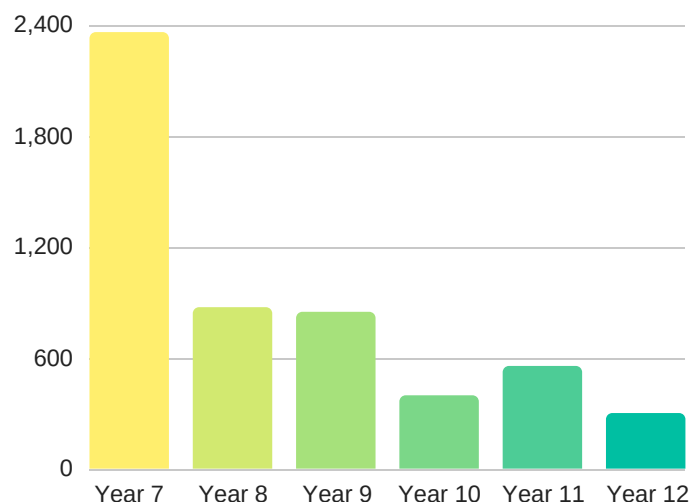
FICTION LOANS BY GENRE



In 2018:

57% of students borrowed at least one book this year
86 students borrowed 10 or more books
50 students borrowed more than 20 books
15 students borrowed more than 50 books
6 students borrowed more than 100 books

LOANS BY YEAR GROUP



FROM THE FACULTY

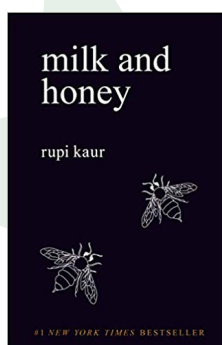
LIBRARY

OUR FAVOURITE BOOKS IN 2018



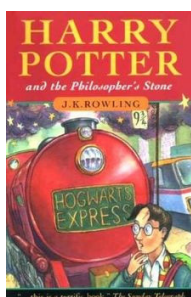
**Most Popular
Fiction Title**

Stepping on Roses Vol. 1,
by Rinko Ueda



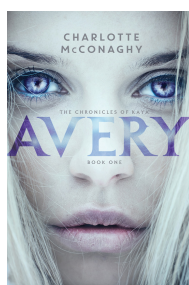
**Most Popular
Non-Fiction Title**

Milk and Honey,
by Rupi Kaur



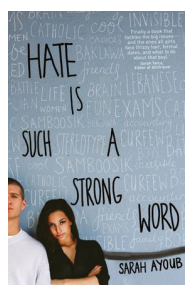
**Most Popular
Adventure Title**

Harry Potter and the
Philosopher's Stone,
by J.K. Rowling



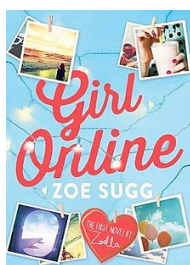
**Most Popular
Fantasy Title**

Avery,
by Charlotte
McConaghgy



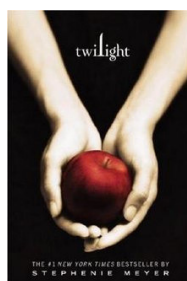
**Most Popular
Contemporary Title**

Hate is Such a
Strong Word,
by Sarah Ayoub



**Most Popular
Comedy Title**

Girl Online,
by Zoe Sugg



**Most Popular
Romance Title**

Twilight,
by Stephenie Myer

LIBRARY EVENTS & PROGRAMS IN 2018

Year 7 Morning Reads

Library Lovers Day

Wiley Belmore Writers Festival

Inaugural UNO Competition

Halloween

Library Movie Morning

WHAT TO EXPECT IN 2019

2nd Annual UNO Competition

World Book Day

Geek Pride Day

HallowREAD

Book Week

Maker Mondays

Book Club

Student Librarians

...and more books!



We look forward to more books, more events and greater student and staff involvement in 2019

DIVERSITY STRENGTHENS LEARNING

FROM THE FACULTY

SRC

This year the SRC has focused on building relationships within the school and in the wider community. The student leaders approached every opportunity with enthusiasm and initiative creating strong bonds with our community. The elected SRC are often natural leaders, but this year have benefited from training in effective leadership and personal reflection. Training sessions with Fusion, the Women leaders workshop on International Women's Day and the Prairiewood leadership conference helped the SRC become more aligned and to work even better as a team.

Fundraising

Our SRC students have also shown to have great empathy for helping those in need. During White Ribbon Day they attending the local 'No Excuse for Abuse' March held in Lakemba to show they support for stopping violence against women. SRC students also helped to organise a muftiday that encouraged students to wear their best 'farmer' gear for 'Dress like a Farmer Day'. The purpose of this day was to raise money and awareness of the droughts affecting farmers in New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland. Together we raised \$1900 for the Buy a Bale Foundation.

SRC Leader,
Mr Kwong



SRC EVENTS IN 2018

Japanese School Visit: 35 students from Chikushi Jogakuen Junior High School came to our school, were shown around by the SRC and given a taste of what school life was like at Wiley Park Girls High School.

Schools Remember ANZAC Ceremony: Prefects went to the ANZAC memorial in the city With Mr Kwong and Mr Steigler-Peters to commemorate the ANZACs.

School Leadership Awards: Held at Belmore Boys, awards given out by Tony Burke.

Dress Like A Farmer Day: Dressing like farmers to raise money for buy a bale and help farmers in need.

Multicultural Day: Organised cultural food, performances and flags for students and staff.

No Excuse for Abuse March: A huge number of students from our school came to show their support for women.

Talent Quest coming up 14th December - Halloween theme!

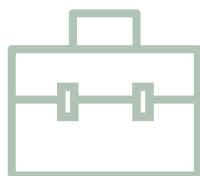


FROM THE FACULTY

CAREERS

This year students at Wiley Park Girls High School attended careers lessons, individual career counselling, university programs, excursions to educational institutions and guest speaker presentations. Students from years 8 – 12 were given the opportunity to participate in Fast Forward @ WSU and Aspire @ UNSW. These are comprehensive programs developed by the universities and designed to encourage students to strive for their personal best and to see tertiary study as a realistic and viable post-school option. Through a sustained program of workshops, hands-on activities, campus visits and interactions with university life, selected students were given the opportunity to experience university life and gain skills & knowledge to help them make informed choices about their future careers. Approximately thirty students from each year group attended on-campus visits and in-school workshops.

Careers Advisor,
Ms Bozinoska



CAREERS EVENTS IN 2018

Year 9

Career Scene Investigation CSI Event
Welcome to Western Presentation Evening

Year 10

Degrees@Work at ABC Ultimo Centre
Subject Selection Workshop
ABCN & Westpac STEM Girls Work Experience

Year 11

U-Day at WSU @ Campbelltown Campus

Year 12

Scholarship Presentation & Workshop
Conference @WSU Parramatta South Campus



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